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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COLUMBIA HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY.

*120th meeting.*

*January 16, 1911.*

With President Morgan in the chair, about 40 members and guests listened to Professor Edward M. Gallaudet tell the story of the "Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb." The subject was discussed by President Morgan, Vice-President Clark, Mrs. Ballinger, Madame Hiddinga and Messrs. Dennis and Weller. Mr. Albert C. White moved a vote of thanks, seconded by Mr. Dennis and carried as a rising vote.

At the 17th annual meeting reports were submitted by the treasurer, recording secretary, curator and chronicler; and Messrs. William Stone Abert, Frederick McKee and William Mouat Hannay were appointed an auditing committee by the chair.

*121st meeting.*

*February 21, 1911.*

Mrs. Margaret Brent Downing made the communication, taking for her subject "The Development of the Catholic Church in the District of Columbia"; a subject which was discussed by President Morgan, Messrs. Tindall, Keefer, Bryan, Mrs. Ballinger and Rev. Fathers Turner and Dougherty. Vice-President Clark moved a vote of thanks. President Morgan in the chair and about 70 members and guests.

*122d meeting.*

*March 21, 1911.*

President Morgan in the chair. Present about 50 members and guests.

The communication was made by Mr. Charles H. Walsh on "A map of the Rariton river, Milestone river, with the plantations thereupon." President Morgan, Mrs. Corra Bacon-Foster and Mr. Dennis took part in the ensuing discussion.

At the request of Mr. Charles H. Coe, the Secretary read a brief description of the ledger and day-book of Smith, Huic,

Alexander & Co., Dumfries, Va., 1784-1787, carrying the names of George Washington, Henry, Charles and Thomas Lee, and filled with quaint entries. The audience were invited to examine these eighteenth century books.

*123d meeting.*

*April 18, 1911.*

About 50 members and guests with President Morgan in the chair assembled to listen to General A. Leo Knott, of Baltimore, speak upon "Maryland's Contribution to the Formation of the Federal Union." A discussion on the subject thus opened up followed, participated in by President Morgan, Judge Bundy, Miss Mackall and Mr. Shoemaker. Mr. Dennis moved a vote of thanks to Gen. Knott for coming so far to address the Society, and giving us a communication showing such evidences of much care and research in its preparation. Seconded by Mr. Weller.

*124th meeting.*

*May 16, 1911.*

The communication of the evening was by Vice-President Allen C. Clark, on "The Rev. Stephen Bloomer Balch—a Pioneer Preacher, of Georgetown." The subject was discussed by President Morgan, Messrs. Dennis, Weller, Shoemaker, Mrs. Downing and Dr. Tindall.

The engrossed copy of the resolutions of appreciation to be presented to ex-President Hagner, were read and exhibited. President Morgan in the chair with about 90 members and guests.

*125th meeting.*

*November 21, 1911.*

President Morgan welcomed the Society and its guests after the summer adjournment, spoke of the loss to the Society in the death of its chronicler, Mrs. Madison A. Balinger, and called upon Mr. Louis P. Shoemaker, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions of Appreciation, to read ex-President Hagner's letter acknowledging the receipt of the same.

Mrs. Corra Bacon-Foster then read her second paper on the early development of the Potomac route to the West,

entitled "The Patowmack Company: the first incorporated enterprise for improvement of Inland Waterways." The subject was discussed by Messrs. Barnard, Shoemaker, Tindall, Dennis and Weller, Mrs. Foster answering several questions.

Present about 95 members and guests.

*126th meeting.*

*December 19, 1911.*

The communication of the evening was by Miss Florence P. Spofford on "New Year Receptions at the White House." The subject was discussed by Messrs. Barnard, Tindall, Weller, Dennis, President Morgan and Mrs. M. B. Downing.

President Morgan in the chair; about 65 members and guests.

All the above meetings were held in the Lecture Hall of the Washington Club, 1710 I street.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21, 1911.

THE COLUMBIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Whereas the Society, wishing to express its appreciation of one of its most distinguished members, presents this tribute to the

HONORABLE ALEXANDER BURTON HAGNER, A.B., LL.D.,

*Resolved*, That in the hearts of the members of this Society, you occupy a unique place, for you are not only a charter member, but also a former vice-president, and one of the framers of its constitution; you were chairman of the committee appointed to draft a memorial address for the first member of this Society to be taken from us by death; you were also chairman of the committee who selected for us our beautiful seal; and you are now our only ex-president.

Great as are your legal attainments, wise and impartial as your decisions have always been, it is not for us to speak of your forensic achievements; to us you are the well-equipped historian, gathering your material from wide personal knowledge, from your extensive and well-directed study, and from the accurately remembered reminiscences of your progenitors, connected as they were with our capital city from its inception.

We, therefore, unanimously and heartily offer to you this expression of our admiration, appreciation and esteem.

JAMES DUDLEY MORGAN,  
*President.*

MARY STEVENS BEALL,  
*Secretary.*

LOUIS P. SHOEMAKER,  
MRS. CHAS. W. RICHARDSON,  
WILLIAM HENRY DENNIS,  
*Committee.*

To

MR. LOUIS P. SHOEMAKER,  
MRS. AMY M. RICHARDSON,  
MR. WILLIAM HENRY DENNIS,

*The Committee of presentation of the  
Columbia Historical Society.*

*My Friends:* I have not sufficiently recovered from the surprise occasioned by your altogether unexpected visit and the presentation of the beautiful address from the Columbia Historical Society, to feel able to express, even now, in fitting words, my deep sensibility at the incident.

Although I must appreciate the complimentary terms in which the address has spoken of my connection with the Society from its origin, more than eighteen years ago, it should be ascribed rather to kind feelings on the part of the members, than to merits of my own; yet the generous terms in which they, speaking for the Society, unanimously, as they declare, have commended my efforts as member and official, to sustain its reputation and success, have given me great pleasure and satisfaction, which I now very heartily acknowledge.

The individual members of this committee, by the very complimentary terms in which they have personally expressed to me their concurrence with the sentiments embodied in the address, have enhanced the value of its statements, and I beg you to accept for yourselves my grateful acknowledgments for your courtesy; and to communicate to the Society,

for which you were spokesmen, my most grateful thanks for the high honor it has conferred upon me; with warmest wishes for its prosperity.

With respect and esteem, I remain

Faithfully, yours,

(Signed) A. B. HAGNER.

June 29, 1911.